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Stage school opens its doors

by Marion Draper

ALREADY running successfully in Chard, Stage4Kidz opened its doors in Market Street on Saturday, with an official ribbon cut by The Mayor of Crewkerne, Councillor Neil Sturtivant, and founder Jackie Smith.

The town crier David Craner was also on hand to announce the presence of the school which will run workshops above Prelude Sports in Market Street.

The school gives youngsters the opportunity to learn all aspects of the theatre, both on and off stage, whilst gaining confidence and life skills through the workshops. To give the youngsters a goal to work towards, they hold an annual showcase at the Octagon theatre in Yeovil.

The mayor commented: "It's nice to see something for the children, they are doing all the things I can't do but when I was young I'd have loved to have had something like this, it gives you confidence, you only have to look at CUDOS.

"It is hard to stand up on a stage but it's also about building a team, even a solo singer needs a crew to do lighting etc. I think this is something Crewkerne needs and I hope they go from strength to strength."

Parents and grandparents had come for the opening to see what was available to the children and they all had positive comments. One mother remarked: "We needed something like this in Crewkerne, I think it's great. There are mainly the Chard children here today, I hope more from Crewkerne come."

A grandmother commented: "It's nice to be local, you can just walk down to it, I know they do a lot in school but it's nice to have something outside of there as well.î

Chard children who have been attending Stage4kidz for some time were at the opening to demonstrate what they had learned and they all had different reasons for enjoying the school. Charlie, who was 13, commented that it was different than at school as there was more freedom and he was surrounded by children who all enjoyed the stage.

Older children are introduced to the technical side such as sound and lighting which gives them a better understanding of the process, even if they stay on the stage.

Founder Jackie Smith, said it had seemed a logical move to use the empty room above the shop to hold workshops for the local children. In Chard she uses the Kelly Leigh Dance studios which opened in November last year. Mrs Smith was herself on the stage as a child and has never lost the passion which she has passed on to her own children.

■ STEP: Jackie Smith and Crewkerne Mayor Neil Sturtivant declare the studio open

■ FULL OF FUN: Crewkerne town crier David Craner gets into the spirit with Stage4kidz

U-turn over future of libraries

IT IS NOW official, Somerset County Council has reversed its decision regarding library closures, following a high court decision that declared the proposal unlawful.

A major investment in technology and the reinstatement of previously reduced library services was confirmed at the council's meeting on Wednesday. A £600,000 capital investment in equipment will enable library users to "self-serve" when checking books and other items into and out of some of the county's busiest libraries.

Councillors also approved the reinstatement of previously reduced opening hours in 23 libraries and the reintroduction of four discontinued mobile libraries. Funding for 11 libraries that had been planned to end by April this year will now continue.

The decision follows the recent Judicial Review which quashed the council's decision to make changes to the Library Service.

In making the decision, Councillor Lawrence, cabinet member for community services, also outlined the council's approach to deciding the future funding and shape of the Library Service. Elected members will consider the future of the service as part of a service review due to start in April, 2012. All of the Councilís services are being reviewed over the next 18 months.

The council aims to install self-service technology into its ten busiest libraries, which will include Chard, and opening hours are due to be reinstated by Monday, February 6th at Chard, Crewkerne and Ilminster. Funding for South Petherton will not be withdrawn.

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Recycling barrier

A PAYMENT barrier is to be installed at Crewkerne Community Recycling Site to operate from Monday, January 16th.

This will automate collection of the £2 entry fee and the issuing of receipts.The barrier is expected to save time for customers and free up one staff member to assist colleagues in site management instead of collecting entry fees.

Entry fees were introduced in April for four Community Recycling Sites, including Crewkerne, to avoid closure.

Crewkerne Community Recycling Site opens Saturday 8am-4pm, Sunday 8am-1pm, Monday 8am-7pm, Tuesday-Wednesday 8am-4pm, and closes Thursday-Friday. There are no extra costs at Crewkerne to deposit rubbish or almost 30 household materials for recycling, including beverage cartons and low-energy light bulbs, but charges for hardcore, soil, tyres and gas bottles are in addition to the entry fee and start at £2.90.

Dodge ball

FUNDRAISER for the British Heart Foundation, Jessica Skeels, is hoping to repeat her success with a second dodge ball event on Sunday February 5th at the old sports hall, at Wadham School.

She will be taking part in the London Marathon because her husband suffered for years with an irregular heartbeat (atrial fibrillation). He recently had an operation at the Bristol Heart Institute which has been very successful.

The nurses who looked after him are paid for by the British Heart Foundation, so she is hoping to raise plenty of money as a gesture of thanks to them.

Please register for the dodge ball by January 22nd - £20 per team of five competition starting at 2.30pm, call 07922181054.

No stars for gazing

CREWKERNE and District Astronomical Society held their second 'Stargazing Live' event at St Bartholomew's Church Hall, on Wednesday January 12th .

Due to heavy and extensive cloud cover there was no chance of observing, but they were pleased with the turnout of about 30 people, including a number of children.

They were able to enjoy a presentation by Arthur Davis called 'From here to infinity' and Stellarium sky tour by Andrew Jones ending with a slide show of some images by Ron Westmaas.

Feedback was very positive, and the group considered it a successful event despite the lack of night sky.

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Wadham celebration for young achievers

by Marion Draper

STUDENTS past and present gathered at Wadham School for official recognition of their achievements at GCSE and A level and for being exemplary students.

The awards evening was attended by family members as well as headteachers, governors, Rotarians and the mayors of Crewkerne and Ilminster and the chairman of South Somerset District Council.

Headteacher David Derbyshire welcomed everyone and praised the students once more for a successful exam year and their consistent investment of time and effort in their studies.

He said: "To be a successful school we have to explore how we can improve the experience for our students. It is not just about exams but how well they are prepared for a life of change and are able to take their place and make a mark."

The presentations were made in a light hearted atmosphere, with first year photos of the students being posted on a screen as they were called, which caused much amusement to all. The presentation of individual awards followed the exam certificates and awards for progress.

Once again it was the head student team who were presented with the Governors' Award for Service to the School by chairman of governors Stuart Shepherd. The team: Helena Alcock, Lucy Dillon, Charlie Ing, Laura Pittard, Karl Taylor, Liam Watkins, Andrew Whitfield and Chris Wood, were praised for their outstanding work during Wadstock events and Children in Need.

Daniel Bending received the Dawes Senior Music Cup for having "quietly grown as a musician", mastering the piano and guitar as well as singing, and for returning to give a Brian May-style performance in the school production of "We Will Rock You".

Tori Emm was presented with the Sally Culmstock Cup for Achievement in Singing and was expected to do well in her hopes for a career in performing arts.

Bryony Alcock received the Michaela Brown Shield for Drama commitment by a year11 student and was particularly praised for bringing energy and focus to all her lessons.

Andrew Whitfield won the Bennett Cup for Geography and has continued the subject at Plymouth University. He was said to have been keen and enthusiastic with a competitive but fun nature.

Bethany Vincent was given the English Prize and had impressed an Oxford tutor on a visit there so much that they had commented: "I have never met a more able student of English for her age."

Rebecca Chiverton was given the Chalmers Award for Maths for her love of pure maths.

Kate Humphreys was called an "amazing student with exceptional drive and focus" which gained her the Science Prize.

Kinga Nowak was awarded the 77 Awards for Mathematics but was not present at the evening, neither was Marc Roldan-Trask who received the Mary Tiffen Award for History; Danni Kilroe for the Vinewood Health Care Award for health and social care; or Clancy Sinding-Dawson for the Jill Hutchings award for art.

TOP STUDENTS: Wadham School high achievers for 2011 with guest speaker the Reverend Mark Jackson, the Mayor of Ilminster Councillor Carol Goodall, chairman of governors Stuart Shepherd, headteacher David Derbyshire and the Mayor of Crewkerne Councillor Neil Sturtivant

Ellen Lennox received the Parish Prize for Religion and Philosophy, one of the few to have ever received it at GCSE level.

Owen Edwards took home the Spurway Family Award for Sport for being a keen athlete both in and out of school, playing rugby and football as well as competing in athletics. He also recently gained a medal at the national gymnastics finals.

Alice Rogers had the Aerosystems International Shield for ICT and was described as "a key member of the class who enhanced the learning of others as well as herself".

Bradley Draycott was named the Mrs Salter Senior Linguist of the Year for taking two languages at GCSE and Katie Martin was this year's winner of the Old Ilminsterian Cup for Outstanding Academic Achievement for being "a highly motivated student who worked hard in all her subjects".

The guest speaker was the Reverend Mark Jackson who talked about going out of your comfort zone and into the world and how he had found himself very suddenly a Royal Navy Chaplain, one day, with no experience of navy life and terrible seasickness.

Addressing the students, he quoted his father who had told him, "let the world take you at your own estimation".

He told them how the Royal Navy had taken him around the world where he had seen appalling scenes of war alongside acts of great heroism, simple service and dedication.

He said: "Education provides you with a key, the door you have to open yourself, preparation for life is one of the greatest gifts we can give you."

He continued that the students should go forth and make the most of every opportunity and enjoy every day, even if it should take them out of their comfort zone.

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Volunteers help to keep a special project going

by Marion Draper

VOLUNTEERS are the backbone of many organisations but for Lilias Ahmeira at Special Horses for Special Children, near Chard, they have literally held together the whole project.

The business offers sensory therapy among horses to children with autism, behavioural and sensory development issues and was featured as the Somerset Chamber of Commerce New Business of the Year in October.

Shortly after that presentation near tragedy befell the founder, Lilias, when she suddenly lost the feeling in her legs. She was rushed to hospital where she underwent emergency surgery for exploded discs in her spine and was told there was no guarantee her nerves would not be permanently damaged. She returned home grateful she was still able to walk but with a certain degree of loss of feeling in her lower body. She was told not to ride but to alternate walking, sitting and lying down throughout her day.

In the midst of the chaos, bookings were increasing at Special Horses which had only been running for a year and was still trying to gain charitable status. Word had got out about the work being done there and special schools were making regular visits. Thanks to the group of dedicated volunteers, the children did not have to be turned away while Lilias took a complete break.

With a passion for what she does, she could not stay away for long, however, and has now set up a camp bed in the yard office where she can conduct much of her business horizontally, and is able to move around enough to spend some time with the visitors and guiding the volunteers and staff.

■ CONDUCTING BUSINESS FROM HER BED: Lilias Ahmeira, has to spend an hour at a time on her back but continues to work

The work they are doing is a two-way street for the volunteers who say they have all gained a lot themselves by taking part in the equine therapy sessions.

One of the volunteers is Robyn Back, who has worked with horses all her life. She heard about Special Horses whilst visiting a trick training centre in Wales. When she came to see her father in Donyatt last June, she decided to be nosy and found herself stuck on a horse within minutes. Now she is a regular member of the team and is considering moving from her home of 20 years in Castle Cary to be closer to the centre. She not only brings an extensive knowledge of horses but as a deaf person, she has another way of looking at life which can be helpful for the youngsters they help.

She said: "I am much more aware of body language and visual cues and pick up on the 'stimming' of the autistic children which is sometimes due to frustration. I can relate to them wanting to give up trying when they can't communicate."

Lilias had heard about Robyn's horse skills and was delighted when she arrived out of the blue. Lilias commented: "She is the most beautiful rider with a wealth of knowledge and her hearing dogs are another element for the children, many of whom are normally scared of dogs. Robyn's being therapy dogs have a different air about them. She can only hear a little sound and is not able to distinguish what people say, she lip reads and has incredible peripheral vision so we do a lot of star jumps in the yard to gain her attention."

Robyn has two Hearing Dogs for the Deaf with her when she visits. Wilson is a young dog and still learning, and Chico who is now 13 and retired due to being deaf himself. The dogs are trained to get her attention when they hear things like doorbells, fire alarms and telephones and are very well behaved and friendly.

Mother and daughter Candy Roberts and Lily Allen from Puckington, near Ilminster, have also become regular volunteers since October.

Candy said: "I had the number of her phone for ages after seeing an advert for volunteers in Barleymow's Farm Shop and Lily was being home educated at the time so we decided to volunteer.

"I have a pharmacy background and have worked with the elderly and children with learning difficulties and we have both ridden. The horses are as much therapy for me as the kids, it's something I love doing and the girls all call me mummy Candy now. It can be very emotional here, we see little miracles every day but we have a laugh too. Sometimes after an afternoon of painting horses with the kids, we have paint fights to let off steam when they go.

"You have to come here armed with a change of clothes and expect anything, if one of the kids decides to point a hosepipe at you, you have to go with the flow."

Her daughter Lily is 12 and still partially home schooled. Lily said: "Last year my dad left and I was really upset, that's why I was home educated. I have always wanted to work with disabled kids and it's just amazing here. I have been to a few yards but this is the most different and the sensory work is really amazing, I've learned so much. I tried it and it is so relaxing lying on a horse, I can understand why the kids can fall asleep up there."

Her friend, 14-year-old Tree Marshall, who is also home schooled, was also hooked after tagging along one day. She remarked: "Candy and Lil had horses and taught me to ride, I come here as often as I can. I love it, it's so cool, the horses are great and the people are not at all stuck up.

At some yards you go to the horses are out every day doing the same thing and they seem brain dead, here they are much calmer. I love the layout too, there is loads of space.

"Lilias uses traditional horsemanship methods, where they run as a herd and at night the stables are open so they choose whether to be in or out. I never knew about circus tricks and free schooling with four horses galloping in a ring and the physio and sensory work - it's all a real learning curve."

Jess Russell from Ilminster is 17 and started by helping at weekends. She is now employed full time and doing her apprenticeship in horse care at Kingston Maurward College. She said: "Working here is really good and very inspiring and rewarding. You can really see an improvement in the children."

Special Horses would love to have some male volunteers added to the mix, even if only to help with some of the maintenance jobs or caring for the horses. It is not necessary to be involved with the children but with Lilias unable to ride they are still looking for someone with strong skills who can do lateral riding.

They are also desperate for a strong horse or two with a good temperament to take double riding.

The horses have to be extremely tolerant animals and so far the team has been lucky but need at least one more as soon as possible, and a loan would be considered.

Anyone who can help in any way to keep this special service going, is asked to please contact Special Horses for Special Children on 01460 66990.

■ TEAM WORK: Lilias Ahmeira, Tree Marshall, Liderk a Hungarian Nonius, Jess Russell, Robyn Back, Lily Allen and Candy Roberts

■ BRINGING SOMETHING EXTRA: Robyn Back with Wilson and Chico her Hearing Dogs for the Deaf

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A cracker of a lunch enjoyed by

NUMBERS may have been a little downfor the annual Ilminster senior citizens belated Christmas dinner, but the atmosphere was high as the tables filled with smiling pensioners looking forward to their special day.

Held traditionally on the first Saturday of the New Year the lunch was organised by Angela Clapp and Ann Climo.

With the usual team of Lions, Rotarians, Masons and volunteers from Broomhead and Saul on board, they were like a well-oiled machine as they made sure the diners were settled and served with their three-course meal at the Shrubbery Hotel.

The Mayor of Ilminster, Councillor Carol Goodall, did not join the diners this year, instead preferring to volunteer her services along with the others.

There were 117 lunches served, nine less than last year, and Mrs Clapp said there had been last minute cancellations, particularly from Vaughan Lee House where none of the residents were able to join in, due to illness.

An addition to the decorated tables were little gift boxes, painstakingly made by Mrs Clapp from recycled Christmas cards and containing sweets. The idea came from her colleague Sally Lowe.

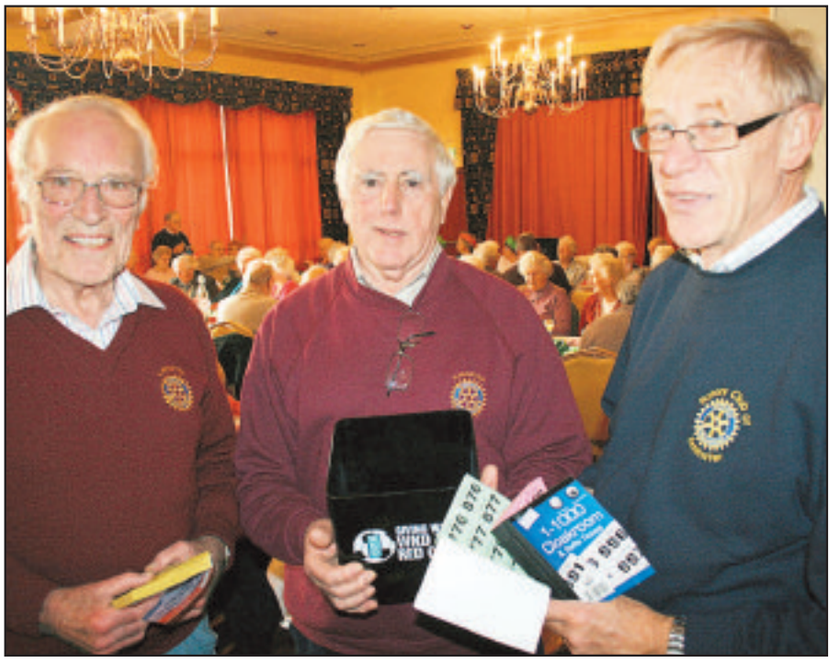
The entertainment was supplied by Ken Westlake and Joy Bells, a hand bell playing group.

Mrs Clapp said it was getting harder to find the funding every year but they were determined to keep the lunch going as it was such an important event within the community and had been so oversubscribed they had been forced to raise the age group last year to 70 plus.

Donations towards the lunch came from the Nyanza Lodge of Freemasons, Ilminster and District Lions Club, The Rotary Club of Ilminster, Shelleys Wish and Mr M Herbert.

Mrs Clapp wished to extend her gratitude to all the teams for their help on the day and will soon be looking into funding for next year's dinner.

Word and photos by Marion Draper



■ JUST THE TICKET: Ilminster Rotarians John Lamb,David Jones and Reryk Outram

■ SOUP ON THE HOOF: Mason Brian Lendon between service

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ALL SMILES: Organisers Angela Clapp and Ann Climo with diners Pearl White, Audrey Besley, Leslie and Margaret Brown

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Elvis has found the building!

by Marion Draper

CHILDREN at St Bartholomew's CE First School told the tale of the Very Hopeless Camel for their Christmas play at the end of last term.

A group of camels led by one named Elvis were trying to find the stable to see Jesus, along with the usual Nativity crowd but the Very Hopeless Camel had no sense of direction and got them lost in Happy Valley along the way.

The camels wandered in all directions, harumpfing as they went while Herod the glorious and furious said he did not want to hear about Jesus.

After some joyful singing accompanied by the percussion group and narrated by some of the other children in some very sparkly bow ties, the camels eventually found the stable, more by accident than design and Elvis went from hopeless to the happiest most hopeful camel ever.

Headteacher Gillian Harcombe congratulated the children on a very successful performance.

■ GOT THERE AT LAST: The Nativity scene with the camels in the background

Store's welcome boost to school funds

COMMUNITY champion for Tesco Ilminster, Nicky De'Ath, visited Hinton St George CE First School to give them a generous donation of £100 which will be used to purchase equipment to help the school support children with special educational needs.

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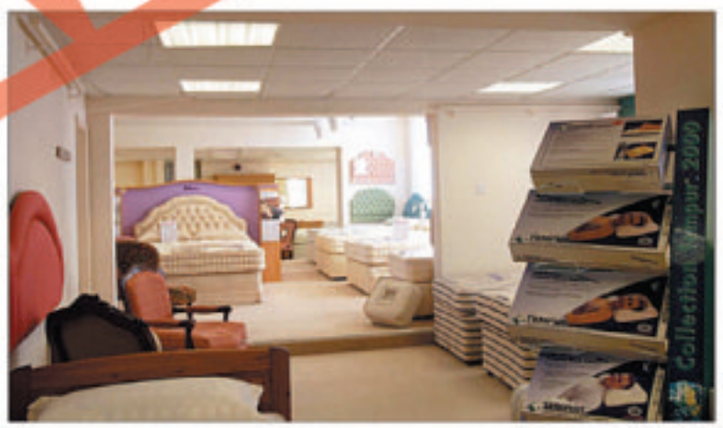

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Young ambassadors of the 21st century

■ SETTING AN EXAMPLE: Finalists of the Lions Club Young Ambassador of the 21st century

CREWKERNE Lions Club hosted the finals of the Young Ambassador of the 21st Century at Clapton Village Hall.

This competition was open to young people aged 15 -19 who, in their own way, had made a difference in their communities by the service they have given.

There were seven finalists, sponsored by the Lions Clubs of Crewkerne; Ilminster and District; Axminster and District; Falmouth and Penryn; Sidmouth; Tavistock and Torpoint and Rame. Three of the candidates were students from Holyrood Academy in Chard; Natalie Jennings, Stefan Colburn and Kieran Spurway.

The candidates were involved a variety of projects including working as young leaders in Scouts, Guides and Cadets; running youth cafes to give young people a safe place to enjoy evenings out; mentors for younger students in schools; helping with the disabled and fund raising for charities.

The panel of three judges consisted of a local councillor; the head teacher of a school for pupils with learning and behavioural difficulties and a previous winner of the competition who had gone on to practise law.

The chairman of the panel, district councillor Mike Best, said that what these young people had achieved was truly astonishing and that they were all winners. It had been a really difficult task choosing just one who would go on to represent the South West District in the national finals in Birmingham next month. Their decision went to Rhiannon Close from Falmouth in Cornwall, a Petty Officer in the Sea Cadets who had been very involved with instructing others in seamanship and also with sailing for the blind.

Crewkerne Lion and district officer Fred Broom said: "It has been a fantastic success, we were able to put on a lovely roast dinner for all our candidates, their families and the Lions who supported them. We had entertainment provided by the highly talented Mandy B and harpist Jessica Dalwood and everybody who came said how impressed they were with the talented young people they had met and listened to.

"We have a really great team in Crewkerne Lions and it is a privilege to be a part of them."

President of Ilminster and District Lions Club, Peter Marshall, said it had been a very worthwhile day and hoped that Kieran, who was young enough to enter again, would do so next year.

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CORRECTION

IN last week's 60 second interview with Derek Phoenix, in Weekender People, we referred to a military service medal. This was incorrect and should have read Meritorious Service Medal.

Also Mr Phoenix moved to Crewkerne in 2007.

We apologise for any embarrassment caused.

60 seconds

THE president of Ilminster and District Lions Club is Peter Marshall, a plain speaking Yorkshire man. A metallurgist born in Sheffield, he has lived in Ilminster for 11 years where he works from home, dealing with international companies. Peter very soon became involved in the local community and was a governor of Neroche School for four years, as well as spending time on the board of Chard Town Football Club.

Fond of good pint of beer, he was drinking in the George at Donyatt one evening when he heard noise from the back room. Setting off to complain he came face to face with the Lions, who meet there, and so began his highly committed involvement with the club, which has recently celebrated its 35th year. Peter became acting president after the sad death of Peter Lawrence during his presidency in early 2011, taking the reins officially in June. Now the club takes up a great deal of his spare time, not only with their fundraising work but as president, attending zone meetings with other clubs.

● WHAT do you like best about Ilminster?

I think this is a very close knit community, very friendly and, as far as the Lions are concerned, very welcoming and generous.

The town itself is quite lovely and has retained some of its market town features. We are very fortunate as a club that we get a lot of support, both from the populous and the local businesses, particularly the Co-op, Tesco and Bilbys, for which we are extremely grateful. We are also fortunate to have some very high quality educators in Ilminster which is very evident in the standards we see.

● WHAT part of the Lions calendar do you enjoy most?

I think the summer fete and the 10k run because there is so much organisation involved and when it all comes together it is a pleasure to see all that hard work pay dividends. It's not all about raising money, the fete for instance is more about fun for the community and it is great to see the faces of the children enjoying themselves. We have a lot of things planned for this coming year and would welcome a few more members from the Ilminster and Chard area.

● WHAT will be your president's charity this year?

I want to support SURE (the Beacon Centre) in Taunton, a few of our members have used the services over the last year or so. We will be holding an event on February 24th at Broadway Village Hall with Mandy Bussell from the Crewkerne Lions singing, and Old Dogz New Trix.

● ARE you a sportsman at all?

I am a big Sheffield United fan. I used to be an all-round sportsman and played, football, cricket, tennis and golf but now because of my age, I'm more into playing bridge. I used to play two lunatic games, golf and bridge and no matter how good you thought you were, either game would bring you right down to earth.

● WHAT would be your three things to have on a desert island?

A self re-filling barrel of Bank's Bitter, a good record collection of all types of music and a collection of the works of Charles Dickens.

● IF you could visit a period of history where would you go?

I have always been curious about the Boer war, and Rorke's Drift having been to South Africa a few times.

I went to the site of the Normandy landings just when they released 'Saving Private Ryan' and when I saw that flag flying where I had been and seen it flying, it brought a tear to my eye. I have also been to Singapore and seen Changi, so many different nations lost their lives there. We think of being alone in war but you realise it extended right across the commonwealth. That's why I feel community is so important, I feel fortunate with what I have and think I should put back into my own community.

● DO you have any unfulfilled ambitions?

Well my daughters bought me a flying lesson for my 60th birthday which was the best present, so if my children are reading this, I'd love a trip around Silverstone.

Have you ever had any unusual encounters?

I was walking past Claridge's in London one day when a whole group footmen appeared from a limousine and lined the way in for the Queen Mother to get out of her car and go in.

Once I went on a balloon ride over the Valley of the Kings - you have to go at 4am because of the heat. There I was ready to meet the others for the balloon trip and who should walk through the door but my bridge tutor from Taunton.

● WHAT act of giving as a Lion has done your heart the most good?

Before Christmas we teamed up with the Rotary to do the Christmas parties for the schoolchildren and this year we extended it to the pre-school, we always enjoy that as much as the kids do.

Recently we gave a new ground level trampoline to Selworthy Special School; we wondered how that would work. It is made of special strong rubber and is set low with small ramps for wheelchairs, two of the pupils wheel their chair-bound friend on to the trampoline and then one holds the front and the other the back and they bounce the chair by jumping, you should hear the squeals!

From the extremes of seeing the children there and the problems they deal with and to be able to give them a small amount of pleasure, that's the sort of thing you think about when you are stood outside collecting on a cold December day. Also helping with the Samaritan's Shoebox Appeal warehouse this year and seeing the dedication the children put into filling those boxes and how keen they were to help us load them. All is not lost in our society.

● IF you won the lottery what would you do?

Well there is the usual stuff everyone would probably do but I think it would be nice to buy a caravan park, somewhere like Cornwall and have it all fitted out with special facilities and attending nursing staff so all children could go there.

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Making a Will removes any doubt as to what you wanted to happen after your death.

It is always best to take professional advice when making a Will. A solicitor will be able to advise you about lots of different aspects including potential family problems, tax effect of gifts, giving to charity as well as ensuring that your wishes are clearly defined and that all the legal requirements are met for your Will to be valid.

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First meet of the year

by Marion Draper

■ SO PROUD: Margaret Wester from Crewkerne with her daughter Jane riding Alfie and George Allen on

RIDERS of all ages and keen followers were greeted with bright sunshine and a nip in the air as they gathered at Dinnington Docks for the traditional stirrup cup to greet the first meet of 2012 for the Seavington Hunt.

The quad bikes went ahead to lay the scent trail for the 14 and a half couple hounds to follow. Hounds are traditionally counted in couples which refers to a training method from the 19th century whereby an older hound would be linked to a puppy by a collar link so the younger animal learned commands by example, hence a single hound is only a half couple.

The hunt follows the drag trail since the ban on fox hunting. For many of the riders, the hunt is a family day out, with children starting on Shetland ponies led by runners or older riders. Shannon King from Martock at seven- years-old was already on her fourth hunt, although it was her first time at this particular meet.

Before leading the riders out, Seavington joint master Jereme Darke thanked the landlords of the pub for their hospitality.

■ FAMILY RIDE: Emma, Alfie, Sally and Ben Godfrey from Lopen

■ FIRST TIME: Seven-year-old Shannon King on Lolo before her first New Year meet with Trudy Holloway and Anthony, Tess and Cat King

■ WAITING FOR OFF: Seavington huntsman John Macey and whipper-in Roger Mapstone

■ LEADING THE FIELD: Seavington joint master Jereme Darke leads the riders from the meet at Dinnington Docks

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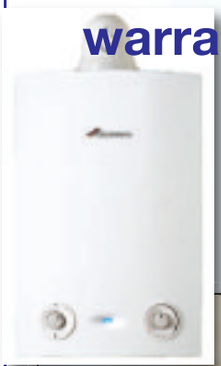

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■ THE Churchfitters - a flamboyant, multi-national group of musicians who unite many musical rhythms - make their debut at South Petherton's David Hall this spring

A feast of attractions at the David Hall

THE new season at The David Hall performing arts centre in South Petherton includes not only the venue's traditional offerings of folk, blues, roots and acoustic music, jazz, classic pop, folk-rock, dance, open mic nights, theatre and film, but also additional events that will attract lovers of poetry, singing and the spoken word.

In fact, the new programme includes so many famous entertainers it's no wonder the David Hall is known as 'The small Hall with the BIG reputation!'

Among the major players coming to South Petherton between January and June are BBC Radio 2 Folk Award winners Nancy Kerr and James Fagan (Best Duo 2011) and melodian practitioner, Andy Cutting (Best Musician, 2009).

Plus, acoustic guitar player and multi-award-winner Martin Simpson will be performing with his Trio at The Octagon in Yeovil in March, in a third event supported by The David Hall.

The Celtic-Eastern-Folk Fusion five-piece band Dragonsfly will fill the Hall with their unique sound on Saturday, January 21st while rootsy-blues from the Mississippi Delta are scheduled for the Thursday, January 26th thanks to Paul Jones & Dave Kelly, co-vocalists with The Blues Band.

In a typical David Hall "coup", Yeovil's Lib Dem MP David Laws will take part in South Petherton's very own chat show – "In Conversation with..." on Friday, February 3rd.

Local resident Robin Ballard – well known as a raconteur - will open the evening.

The David Hall's collaboration with Sherborne Jazz means that jazz lovers have two events to look forward to – Gilad Atzmon and the Orient House Ensemble on Saturday, February 18th and The Sarah Gillespie Quartet, featuring the acclaimed Anglo-American singer, in April.

Petherton Poetry Please! - scheduled to coincide with National Poetry Day last October - was so successful that The David Hall will run a Spring Session on Friday, April 27th, featuring poems written, chosen and performed by local people.

In March there will be a full-day Singing Workshop – Songs for the Coast – led by Sammy Hurden, musical director of the Luminos community choir at the Lighthouse in Poole.

And the Bristol Old Vic Theatre School returns again in May – this time with an adaptation of Stella Gibbons's Cold Comfort Farm.

Petherton Picture Show, a fortnightly film club, has scheduled a raft of acclaimed titles including Robert Redford's The Conspirator, Wood Allen's Midnight in Paris, One Day from the best-seller by David Nicholls and The Way, with Martin Sheen and Emilio Estevez.

New to the programme are The David Hall Sunday Sessions – an opportunity for those who love to sing, or play an instrument, to join together for a fun afternoon on January 29th and February 26th; and the Hall's successful monthly Performance Night is scheduled for Fridays in January, March, April, May and June.

All forms of performance are welcome - email info@thedavidhall.org.uk to book a place.

Also Stackridge, renowned for their classic 1970s pop albums and for opening the very first Glastonbury Festival, are scheduled for April; and the ever-popular Fairport Acoustic Convention - originators of folk-rock and David Hall regulars - return on May Bank Holiday Monday.

● TICKETS for events at The David Hall can be booked and paid for via the website www.thedavidhall. org.uk

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Tickets for The Martin Simpson Trio at The Octagon are available on 01935 422 884

ROCK CHORUS COMING TO AXMINSTER

ANDY Hague, who formed Honiton's 'Sweet Honi 'n' Soul' rock choir in February 2011, is launching 'Axminster Rock Chorus'.

He says, "I did a 'Sing the Beatles' workshop in September and lots of people came from the Axminster, Seaton and Chard areas. They've been asking for a Rock choir here ever since."

The Axminster Rock Chorus (ARCh) will be run on exactly the same lines as Sweet Honi, it will be a fun sing for all ages and abilities, using great rock, pop and soul. Music reading won't be necessary and there'll be no audition.

"Anyone who enjoys Pop/Rock and wants to sing in glorious harmonic technicolor will be guaranteed a good time."

Axminster Rock Chorus will cost £45 per term, the same as Sweet Honi 'n' Soul, so that's only £4.50 per session and there will be reductions for students and unemployed people.

ARCh will meet at Axminster's Guildhall. The first session is on January 9th at 7.30pm.

Sweet Honi still meets on Tuesday evenings at Millwater School, Honiton.

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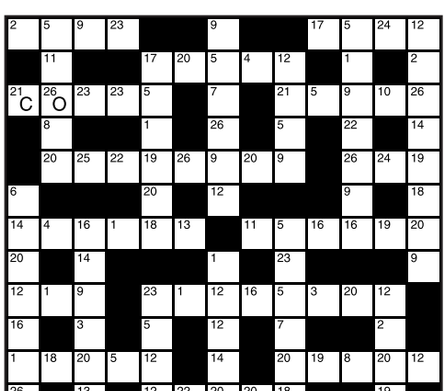

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Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

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1. All measured out like a good road (8)
5. Part of a tree used as a bow (4)
9. None of it is good, it's said (4)
10. A sign that the commanding officer's in prison perhaps (8)
11. Not qualified to speak (5)
12. Frank article written by G.B. Shaw (7)
13. Just one of twenty-four today (9,4)
18. Basically, it's intended to make one's pile last longer (8)
19. A slight mark on the music? (4)
20. Chided a debater, perhaps (7)
21. Tried to get well? (5)
22. Bird to perform repeatedly (4)
23. He doesn't like to strike (8)

Down

2. His choice will get cross! (7)
3. Results of questionable actions? (7)
4. I cleaned a copy - it could be a valuable book (13)
6. One gets four or six in the test, but it's unimportant (7)
7. Permission to give the fellow an appointment (7)
8. Smoothed out on board, perhaps (6)
13. Beaten by one particular suit? (7)
14. Arranged, but not voluntarily (7)
15. Elf makes random trips over the East (6)
16. Stop knitting and prepare for sea (4,3)
17. Theirs is an exacting business (7)

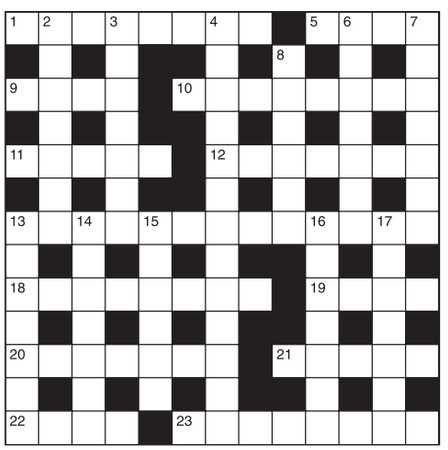
Quick Clues:

Across

1. Rapturous (8)
5. Praise (4)
9. Support (4)
10. Gets (8)
11. Unspoken (5)
12. Signal (7)
13. Without a delegate (13)
18. Shrink (8)
19. Legend (4)
20. Feeling (7)
21. Monstrosity (5)
22. Standard (4)
23. Control (8)

Down

2. Sure (7)
3. Upper part (3-4)
4. White heat (13)
6. Tumbler (7)
7. Go down (7)
8. Delicate (6)
13. Dirty (7)
14. Spite (7)
15. Let (6)
16. Figure (7)
17. Derive (7)



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CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Assent; 4 Combat; 9 Divorce decree; 10 Correct; 11 Emits; 12 Fives; 14 Stage; 18 Tiler; 19 Diocese; 21 Breach of faith; 22 Easier; 23 Elders. Down: 1 Addict; 2 Severe illness; 3 Nurse; 5 Overeat; 6 Burning desire; 7 Theist; 8 Heats; 13 Earache; 15 Stable; 16 Add on; 17 Meshes; 20 Offal. QUICK - Across: 1 Duress; 4 Abduct; 9 Secret Service; 10 Omitted; 11 Inter; 12 Pitch; 14 Charm; 18 Trail; 19 Extrude; 21 Prime Minister; 22 Denote; 23 Pledge. Down: 1 Despot; 2 Recrimination; 3 Sweet; 5 Burnish; 6 Uninterrupted; 7 Theory; 8 Aside; 13 Collect; 15 Stupid; 16 Peril; 17 Degree; 20 Trial.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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2	7	1	6	8	4	3	5	9
5	6	4	7	3	9	1	8	2
3	9	8	1	2	5	4	6	7

Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION: The letter represented by the question mark is P. Syphony, arpeggio, rhapsody, all musical terms.

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FRIDAY JANUARY 13TH

CREWKERNE: Country Market at the Henhayes Community Centre, from 9am-11.30am. All fresh local produce. Vegetables, cakes, bread, flowers and much more.

CLAPTON: Luncheon Club at Clapton & Wayford Village Hall, from midday for 12:30pm start. All welcome, but please book your place by calling 01460 77057.

ILMINSTER: Charity Skittle Night plus live music at The Royal Oak. In aid of Children With Cancer UK. Call 01460 54629 for more information.

SATURDAY JANUARY 14TH

HINTON ST GEORGE: Film: 'My Afternoons with Marguerite', presented by Hinton St George 'Flix in the Stix' in the village hall at 7:30pm. Tickets £5 in advance from the village shop and Dorothy's Tea Room, or £5.50 on the door. Telephone 01460 72906 for more details.

CREWKERNE: Tea/coffee with a cake £1.50. Open to all. 10am-12noon at Henhayes Community Centre.

TUESDAY JANUARY 17TH

CREWKERNE: Social Group for older more frail people, who still like a laugh and a chat, at Henhayes Community Centre, from 10am-2:30pm. Lunch £5.50 with a cup of tea/coffee. Quiz/Bingo. Transport available. Please ring 01460 74340 for more information.

CHARD: Screen at the Guildhall presents 'Water for Elephants' at 7:30pm (doors open 7pm). Admission £5. Call David on 07941 585823 for more info.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 18TH

CREWKERNE: Bingo at Henhayes Community Centre, from 2.30pm to 4pm.

THURSDAY JANUARY 19TH

CREWKERNE: Over 50's Keep Fit (and have a laugh) at Henhayes Community Centre, from 10am-11am. Entry £3 session (members £2).

SEAVINGTON ST MARY: Five Go To Gambia at the Millennium Hall, from 7:30pm. £2.50 members / £3.50 non-members including refreshments. Organised by the local RSPB group. Telephone 01460 240740 for more information.

FRIDAY JANUARY 20TH

CREWKERNE: Country Market at the Henhayes Community Centre, from 9am-11:30am. All fresh local produce. Vegetables, cakes, bread, flowers and much more.

CLAPTON: Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebration Public Meeting at Clapton and Wayford Village Hall, to make further plans for a village event. For more details call 01460 76540

SATURDAY JANUARY 21ST

CHARD: Peace Vigil at Holyrood Street from 11am-12noon.

CREWKERNE: Tea/coffee with a cake £1.50. Open to all. 10am-12noon at Henhayes Community Centre.

CHAFFCOMBE: Quiz at the Village Hall, from 7:30pm. Entry £3 per person with light supper included. Please bring own drinks but soft drinks and wine will be available for donations. Raffle. To help with catering arrangements, please ring Hillary on 01460 61996. In aid of C.R.Y. (Cardiac Risk in the Young).

WHITELACKINGTON: Table Top Sale and Bric-a-Brac at the Village Hall, from 10am-1pm. Telephone 01460 259565 for more information.

TUESDAY JANUARY 24TH

ILMINSTER: South Somerset Peace Group are holding a public meeting 'Arab Spring, British Shame', when Sharen Green from Campaign Against Arms Trade will explain Britain's recent and continuing efforts to sell arms to the regimes of the Middle East and North Africa. The meeting will be held in the Minster Rooms, at 7:30pm. All welcome - entry £3 including tea/coffee.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25TH - SATURDAY JANUARY 28TH

CREWKERNE: CUDOS presents the pantomime 'Sleeping Beauty' at Victoria Hall. Performances at 7:30pm nightly, matinee at 2:30pm on Saturday. For tickets call 01460 74380 or go to the Community Office in Crewkerne.

FRIDAY JANUARY 27TH

TATWORTH: Film: 'Jane Eyre' at the Memorial Hall, from 8pm (doors open 7:15pm). Organised by T&F Movies. For more details call 01460 220198.

ILMINSTER: The Barrow Boys' Cockney Sing-A-Long with Wayne Adams & Pearlykingjim at The Shrubbery Hotel from 7:30pm. Tickets £15 to include a fish and chip supper, available by call 01823 413430 or 01460 54007. In aid of St Margaret's Hospice. Organised by the Rotary Club of Ilminster.

SATURDAY JANUARY 28TH

MISTERTON: Misterton Tennis Club Annual Wine and Wisdom Evening at the Village Hall at 7:30pm. Teams of up to 6 individuals will be allocated to a team if possible. Ploughman's supper, cash bar. Entrance fee £5 per person. Names to Chris Ellis on 01460 74368.

MERRIOTT: New To You Sale in the Tithe Barn, from 10am-11:30am. Clothes, books, toys, bric-a-brac, tea and coffee. In aid of church funds. Telephone 01460 72704

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 2ND - SATURDAY FEBRUARY 4TH

CHARD: Chard Amateur Theatre Society (CATS) present 'Beauty & the Beast'. Evening performances are at 7.30pm with a matinee performance on the Saturday at 3pm. Tickets will go on sale at Barrons, Holyrood Street priced: Concessions (under 14 years & over 60 senior) £5; Adult £7 (stalls) £7.50 (balcony) and £8 (tier). For more information please phone 01460 65062.

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Going Out Film

This week's new releases

WAR HORSE 12A

YOUNG Albert Narractott (Jeremy Irvine) enlists to service in WWI after his beloved horse, Joey, is sold to the cavalry. Albert's hopeful journey takes him out of England and across Europe as the war rages on.

Dramatic war story, directed by Steven Spielberg and also starring Peter Mullan, Emily Watson and Benedict Cumberbatch.

MARGIN CALL 15

THRILLER Margin Call revolves around the key people at an investment bank over a 24-hour period during the early stages of the financial crisis.

All-star cast includes Kevin Spacey, Paul Bettany, Jeremy Irons, Simon Baker and Demi Moore.

THE DARKEST HOUR 12A

IN Moscow, five young people lead the charge against an alien race who have attacked Earth via our power supply.

Emile Hirtsch, Olivia Thirlby and Max Minghella star in the sci-fi action

SHAME 18

IN New York City, Brandon's (Michael Fassbender) carefully cultivated private life - which allows him to indulge his addiction - is disrupted when his sister Cissy (Carey Mulligan) arrives unannounced for an indefinite stay.

Forthcoming Events in Chard Guildhall

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Friday, January 13th - Thursday, January 19th

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Sherlock Holmes: A Game Of Shadows 12A
Fri-Tue: 13.45, 14.45, 17.00, 18.00, 20.00, 21.00
Plus Sat & Sun: 10.45, 11.45am
Wed & Thu: 13.45, 17.00, 20.00
The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo 18
Daily: 13.00, 16.20, 19.45
Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked U
Daily: 14.30, 16.45
Plus Sat & Sun: 12.15
Haywire 15
Wed & Thu: 14.10, 16.30, 18.50, 21.10
War Horse 12A
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Daily: 14.45
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Daily: 12.30, 17.00, 19.15, 21.30
Goon 15
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Daily: 20.30
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Goon 15
Fri-Sun: 19.00, 21.10
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Happy Feet 2 *in 2D* U
Sat: 11.30am
Haywire 15
Wed & thu: 13.30, 16.00, 18.30, 21.10
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Tue: 11.00am
Mission: Impossible - Ghost Protocol 12A
Fri, Tue-Thu: 14.30, 17.30, 20.40
Sat & Sun: 11.15, 14.30, 17.30, 20.40
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Puss In Boots *in 2D* U
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The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo 18
Daily: 16.45, 20.00
The Iron Lady 12A
Fri, Sat, Mon-Thu: 12.45, 15.15, 17.45, 20.15
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Oh, lucky us... Lightning Seeds come to Somerset!

Ian Broudie

FOLLOWING a summer of festival sets across the UK last year, the Lightning Seeds are make on the raod next month.

The tour, which features a hometown show at the O2 Academy Liverpool and a London date at the O2 Shepherd's Bush Empire, includes a date at Frome's Cheese & Grain on Friday, February 17th.

Formed by Ian Broudie, *pictured left*, in 1989, the band has been entertaining audiences for over 20 years, and it's easy to see why when witnessing their unmissable live performance.

Following his involvement with numerous bands in post-punk Liverpool, Broudie conceived the band and penned the majority of the critically acclaimed, debut album, *Cloudcuckooland,* which featured the hugely popular single, 'Pure'.

But it was the band's 1994 album, *Jolification,* which saw the Lightening Seeds garner the attention they so rightly deserved.

Widely regarded as one of the best albums of the 1990s, this seminal release spawned the hit singles 'Lucky You', 'Change', 'Perfect' and 'Marvellous' and paved the way for the Britpop period.

More successful Lightning Seeds albums followed - as well as a solo LP in 2004 - but in more recent years Ian has been better known as a producer, working with the likes of The Zutons, The Coral and The Subways.

However, the Lightning Seeds returned to the live arena in the 2010, playing a full UK tour, and then rounded off that year as a support act for Squeeze, accompanying the band as special guests on their 22 date UK tour.

Ian Broudie says; "I had a great time on the Squeeze tour and really looking forward to playing my own shows with an elaborate and eclectic mix of Lightning Seeds songs."

● TICKETS for the show at The Cheese & Grain, Frome, on February 17th are available at £22.50 each by calling 01373 455 420 or visiting either www.midnightmango.co.uk or www. cheeseandgrain.co.uk

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FOLLOWING his successful performance at Ilminster's Meeting House last April, John Law is to visit the venue again, but this time with his Art of Sound Trio.

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They will be playing a mix of standards and original compositions, incorporating a number of new and inventive sounds.

John Law

AS A prize-winning prodigy on piano at the age of four, John was composing at age eight and, after winning an Open Scholarship, he studied piano and composition at the Royal Academy of Music.

He went on to enter the world of jazz in 1986. Throughout his career John has explored the more experimental side of jazz and improvised music.

Many projects and collaborations later, John is now regarded as one of Europe's finest jazz pianists and composers who continues to attract much critical acclaim.

Asaf Sirkis

BORN in Israel in 1969, Asaf spent his teens and twenties in Rehovot. The town's diverse cultural influences from North Africa, East and Central Europe and the Middle East developed in him an interest in music and rhythm.

He began drum lessons from the age of 12, while retaining a strong interest in playing electric bass. Musical influences from this time such as The Beatles, Yes, Genesis, Allan Holdsworth, and the Mahavishnu Orchestra have continued to influence his writing and playing to this day.

Following compulsory National Service, in 1990, Asaf started his professional career as a musician, playing in many jazz and world music bands before forming his own trio.

In 1999 he moved to London, becoming part of the UK jazz and world music scene. In 2007 he formed the Asaf Sirkis Trio, and his reputation as a composer and band leader continues to grow.

Yuri Goloubev

BORN in Moscow in 1972, bassist Yuri Goloubev has become world-renowned. Following a career in classical music, in 2004, Yuri moved to Italy to pursue his "true calling" in jazz.

He has since enjoyed collaborations with many important American and European jazz artists, and performed at well-known jazz festivals worldwide.

● Tickets for John Law's Art Of Sound Trio at the Meeting House, Ilminster on Friday, January 27th are £10 (pre-show supper £9.50 at 7pm). Call the box office on 01460 54973 to book.

John Law

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Vauxhall enters fresh territory with all-new small SUV

- New model expands Vauxhall portfolio in fast-growing European SUV market
- Choice of front or all-wheel drive, six-speed or auto transmissions
- Fresh and purposeful design combines with generous practicality
- Two petrol engines and one diesel, all with Start/Stop eco-tech

THESE ARE the first official pictures of Vauxhall's new small SUV, which will take the company into new market territory when it's unveiled at this year's Geneva Motor Show in March.

Called the Mokka, the new model will enter the growing sub-compact SUV B-segment. The Mokka is 4.28metres long, yet despite its neat dimensions can accommodate five adults in comfort.

"The Mokka takes its design cues from larger SUVs and integrates them into a compact, yet modern form," said Duncan Aldred, Vauxhall's Chairman and Managing Director. "We are growing a compelling and diverse range of products that appeal both to retail and fleet customers, and the Mokka will complement this perfectly."

Choice of diesel and petrol engines; packed with technology

The Vauxhall Mokka blends functionality with a comfortable high seating position. It can be specified with all-wheel drive that seamlessly shifts torque to the rear wheels when required for better traction and handling. Power is provided by three efficient engines, all equipped with fuel saving Start/Stop technology. The petrol offer comprises a 115PS, 1.6-litre naturally-aspirated engine or a 140PS 1.4-litre Turbo with 200Nm of torque. The diesel is a 130PS 1.7 CDTI turbo with 300Nm of torque. Both the 1.4 Turbo and the 1.7 CDTI can be combined either with six-speed manual or six-speed automatic transmissions.

The Mokka introduces new cutting edge technologies to the SUV B-segment, such as a string of Driver Assistance Systems at the hub of which is the Vauxhall Front Camera- there is also a rear view camera. In addition to a generous cargo volume, the Mokka offers the fully integrated, latest generation Flex-Fix bicycle carrier that is exclusive to Vauxhall. The user-friendly carrier is fully integrated in the rear underbody, functioning like a drawer and accommodating up to three bicycles at a time.

Bold SUV design combined with generous functionality

Muscular and attractive, the Mokka incorporates Vauxhall's signature 'blade' on the body side, sweeping towards the rear. The Mokka's sporty character is reinforced by its higher ground clearance as well as a 1540mm track. Its robust looks are further enhanced by 18" alloy wheels which are standard on most models.

In the interior, the new Mokka displays typical Vauxhall values such as versatility and user-friendly functionality, providing up to 1,372-litres of load space and 19 storage locations.

All-Wheel Drive, Front-Wheel Drive and exclusive technologies are available

The new Vauxhall Mokka will be available in Front-Wheel and All-Wheel Drive . The All-Wheel Drive System ensures a high level of stability and safety, extending Mokka's capabilities to more rugged environments. When handling and traction are put to the test, the system automatically and seamlessly transfers power to the rear wheels.

Standard features that enhance the driving experience across all models include Electronic Stability Control (ESC), Traction Control (TC) as well as Hill Start Assist (HAS) and Hill Descent Control (HDC) systems – which improve driving comfort and safety in uphill or downhill terrain.

The Vauxhall Mokka brings cutting-edge upmarket technologies to the SUV B-segment. The Advanced Adaptive Forward Lighting (AFL+) which increases driving safety is based on the 3rd generation Bi-Xenon lighting system that includes High Beam Assist (HBA). The new generation Vauxhall front camera system is also available, giving the driver access to a number of functions including Lane Departure Warning (LDW), Forward Collision Alert (FCA) and second generation Traffic Sign Recognition.

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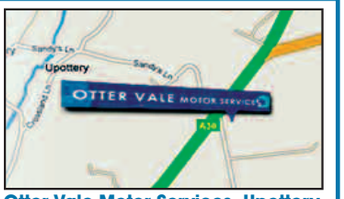

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THE IAM (Institute of Advanced Motorists) is calling on the government to work with insurers to offer discounts on premiums for young drivers who take further driver training, ahead of the Transport Select Committee's report on the cost of motor insurance, published tomorrow. The IAM also wants to see a review of the driving test, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.

The committee of MPs has been investigating the high cost of motor insurance. Premiums have risen significantly over the last few years and this is having a big impact on young drivers.

The average car insurance premium for young males aged 17-22 is £2,977*, more than three times the average premium of £907. For young females the average premium is almost twice as much as the average at £1,682. The figure for females will rise further in December when new gender equality laws come into effect.

A survey commissioned for the committee found that 21 per cent of young drivers had considered driving without insurance*1, and nearly a third (30 per cent) have considered altering the information they provide to insurance firms in order to secure a lower quote.

A recent IAM survey of 2,000 novice young drivers*2 found that only half reported positively on feeling fully prepared for driving on their own. There is a real need to ensure that young drivers are fully prepared for driving on their own, with reasonable insurance premiums to discourage them from breaking the law by driving uninsured.

Seventy four per cent of novice drivers said that they would definitely take further training if it saved them money on their car insurance. The driving test needs to be reviewed, and a system of post test training, linked to cheaper insurance, introduced.

IAM chief executive Simon Best said: "The simplest way to reduce insurance premiums is to prevent accidents. This is especially true for young male drivers who are most at risk of being involved in an accident. We need to start rewarding good drivers by encouraging further driver training through cheaper insurance.

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JACK HIGH BOWLS CLUB NEWS

MAGPIES IN THE DRIVING SEAT

CHARD *with Penny Herrick*
THE Management Committee of Chard Bowling Club sends all it's members and supporters good wishes for a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year and lots of happy hours playing bowls.

The teams in the Milford & Dormor Afternoon Triples League are all raring to go and in the NewYear session two tied games came along together (just like 'buses!).

The Merriott Canaries cameup against the Chard Greyhounds who were really on form and went down 18-5.

The Magpies, the current league leaders, played the Hurricanes and both-teams scored 12 shots.

Meanwhile East Coker drew 11 shots each with Chard Harlequins.

This means that the Chard Magpies lead the table with 13 points but have only played eight games.

The Greyhounds lie in second place with 12 points but have played one game more.

The Hurricanes, in third place with 11 points have played 10 games in total.

So at the moment the title is still up for grabs but the Magpies, having played fewer games and with a shot difference of 50, look to be in a strong position.

◆ Results; Canaries 5 Greyhounds 18, Magpies 12 Hurricanes 12, East Coker 11 Harlequins 11, Harlequins 18 Greyhounds 11.

CURRENT SEATON & DISTRICT SHORT MAT BOWLS TABLES

Table	P	W	D	L	Shot Diff	Pts
Colyton	6	4	0	2	160	8
Magpies	8	6	1	1	50	13
Greyhounds	9	6	0	3	25	12
Hurricanes	10	5	1	4	-4	11
Harlequins	9	4	1	4	-15	9
Canaries	9	4	0	5	-20	8
East Coker	9	2	1	6	-14	5
Westway	8	2	0	6	-22	4

Div 2	P	W	D	L	Shot Diff	Pts
Colyton	6	4	0	2	160	8
Musbury	4	2	2	0	58	6
Sidford A	5	3	0	2	-14	6
CHARD A	6	2	1	3	-28	5
COMBE St N	5	2	1	2	-33	5
Sidford B	7	1	3	3	-86	5
Sidbury	5	1	1	3	-57	3

Div 3	P	W	D	L	Shot Diff	Pts
Hemyock A	6	4	2	0	177	10
Seaton Cliff D	6	4	1	1	74	9
CHARD B	7	4	0	3	122	8
Seaton Cliff C	6	2	0	4	-72	4
Musbury B	5	1	1	3	-161	3
Hemyock B	6	1	0	5	-140	2

Off the line!

■ **FULL STRETCH**: Forton Rangers defender Jon Marsden leaps to head Lyme Regis Reserves' midfielder Aaron Marshall's (extreme left) goalbound header up on to the bar and down off the post. Rangers went on to win Saturday's game 3-0 to keep their Perry Street League Division One promotion hopes firmly on track. (*See a full PSL round-up and preview on page 31*) ***Photo by JON MATTHEWS***

Duo return as Robins run continues

CHARD Town's unbeaten run was extended to six matches after they battled back from 2-0 down with goals from Sam Clark and an OG to earn a valuable point at Bradford Town last Saturday.

Robins' manager Nik Flory does however have several key players missing for tomorrow's visit by third-placed Calne Town, he said: "We are injury stricken at the moment! Dan Harvey is a long-term absentee whilst Gary McAuley is still a couple of weeks away. Adam Fricker, Mark Scott, Sam Johnson are all unavailable and-Jamie Barfoot is only rated 50/50.

"Chris Gardner returned on Friday and made a great impression when I brought him off the bench on Saturday, his experience, know-how and ability showed and he will be a great asset to the squad."

Gardner made a dozen appearance in Robins' red before joining ex-Chard manager Glynn Shaw at Shepton Mallet.

Sam Spurway is also included in the squad for Saturday's game with Calne Town after he returned following a short spell with Ilminster Town in the Somerset League.

Flory is wary of tomorrow's opponents: "Calne are a very good side and they will be definitely in with a shout of promotion. Having already beaten them at their ground I am expecting them to be fired up for this one, but we are playing well - confidence is high, we fear no-one so it should make for a very entertaining fixture.

◆ Squad: *Stu Parris, Ryan Peacock, Dan Cleal, Gary Knight, Sam Spurway, George Chlopecki, Liam Cleal, Nath Warren, Andy Martin, Chris Gardner, Gary Spiller, Jon Hurford, Sam Clarke, Jamie Barfoot, Luke Finn*.

Table (top)	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Gillingham Tn	22	14	3	5	59	37	45
Melksham Utd	20	12	5	3	43	21	41
Calne Town	20	11	6	3	30	15	39
Cadbury Heath	17	11	5	1	49	18	38
CHARD TOWN	22	10	5	7	43	32	35
Bradford Town	22	9	6	7	41	25	33
Keynsham Tn	22	8	9	5	33	28	33

■ **BACK IN THE NEST:** Sam Spurway has returned to Chard Town.

SOMERSET LEAGUE
Division One

ILMINSTER Town began 2012 in far from convincing style as two goals from Scott Jennings failed to prevent a 2-3 home defeat at the hands of mid-tablers Fry Club last Saturday.

The Blues have the opportunity to put things right when they entertain lowly Shepton Mallet Reserves at the Rec tomorrow.

Table (top)	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Weston St J	18	11	1	6	49	33	34
Larkhall Res	18	9	2	7	33	33	29
ILMINSTER	16	8	3	5	37	25	27
Brislington Res	15	8	3	4	32	23	27
Purnells Sports	18	7	5	6	36	31	26
Clutton	15	8	2	5	29	24	26

Division Two (west)

COMBE St Nicholas finally get to brush a month's worth of dust off their boots as they face a potentially tricky trip to Worle tomorrow.

It could turn out to be a crucial weekend with Banwell at Cheddar and Churchill Club at Ashton & Backwell United.

Table (top)	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wrington Red	14	9	2	3	40	14	29
Churchill Club	14	8	4	2	37	20	28
Banwell	12	9	1	2	34	20	28
COMBE St NIC	14	9	1	4	33	20	28
Wells City Res	13	6	4	3	24	19	22
Cheddar Res	13	5	3	5	20	29	18

DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE
Division Two

CHARD Town Reserves found themselves on the wrong end of a league double as runawway league leaders Tiverton Town Reserves eased to a 3-0 victory at Zembard Lane last Saturday.

The Robins second-string, still sitting comfortably in second place, have no fixture tomorrow.

Table (top)	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Tiverton Res	12	11	1	0	46	12	34
CHARD RES	14	8	4	2	27	16	28
Westexe Rov	13	7	2	4	27	18	23
Topsham Town	11	7	0	4	42	19	21
Halwill	11	6	1	4	30	26	19
Broadclyst	15	5	4	6	28	30	19

ON THE SPOT...

WEEKENDER SPORT **puts Thorncombe striker**
PAUL MALE
UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT

Q How long have you been involved in local football? Who have you played for?

A I have played local football for over 20 years now. I started at Ilminster Town before moving on to Seavington, Fivehead Rangers and am now playing at Thorncombe FC.

Q Name the best three players you played alongside?

A I'd have to say **Alex Paul**, **Paul Oliver** and **Lee Fisher** - all three are very skilful and great finishers.

Q What is the best away ground you've played on?

A **Barrington**'s Shelway Lane - Just a quality pitch to play on.

Q Do any games stick in your memory?

A The game I remember the most would be my debut for Thorncombe when I scored at hat-trick against Crewkerne - just a great way to start at a new club.

Q How would you improve things at Thorncombe FC?

A I couldn't improve anything at Thorncombe - there are two great pitches and a nice club - it can be a nightmare to get to though!

Q Can you recommend some young player we should look out for in the future?

A There are several currently playing at Thorncombe - two of the best are **John Mason** who has a great left foot and **Josh Rolfe** who is quick and skilful and hopefully one day my son **Liam Male**.

NEXT WEEK:
Iminster Town's ANDY WHITEFIELD

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SCRUM-DOWNRUGBY round-up

with Keith Jenkin

Struggling Stroud up next as Chard promotion campaign gets momentum

THERE was no rugby football played locally on the first Saturday of the new Year, with all sides having away fixtures, apart from the Chard second side who had a spare week.

I toddled off to Dorchester to watch the home side come out on top against Corsham in the Southern Counties (South) Division.

YATTON 0 CHARD 69

IT is said that being in the lead midway through a contest brings pressure.

If this is in fact the case then Chard showed no signs of it during their first game of 2012. Facing both the slight slope and a young and, for the most part, inexperienced outfit, they controlled the contest from beginning to end.

A break by Wagstaff immediately took play to the home line where, after a plethora of Yatton infringements, the referee awarded a penalty try that was converted by Nicholls to give his side a 7-0 lead with just two minutes gone.

The visitors continued to dominate in all departments and a few minutes later, centre Douglas cut an inside line and fed stand off Doak who got over. Nicholls again added the extras to double Chard's lead.

More was to come before the break. On the twenty minute mark a Doak long miss pass found winger Stead in space. He took the ball on the burst, outstripped the defence and touched down for Nicholls again to add the extras.

Winger Massey then got the bonus point try before the game was half an hour old and, after the home number eight had seen yellow, flanker Hellier touched down for his side's fifth try of the half.

These two final tries, touched down out wide, remained unconverted but served to put the result beyond doubt at the halfway stage with the scoreline standing at 31-0.

Chard now had the advantage of the slope and the second-half proved to be a long one for the home side. Wagstaff crashed over in the first minute for Nicholls to convert and a couple of minutes later, Stead scored his second of the game.

Almost immediately after this the home side received their second yellow card of the contest and, at this juncture Chard rang the changes.

They had little effect on the scoring however, for scrum-half Nicholls nipped over by the posts and converted the try himself to bring up the half-century.

This was followed by a try by skipper Parsons after another Douglas break, and subsequently full back Elliott made an incursion into the line and got over, with Nicholls again adding the extras.

Chard were out of sight now and it just remained for Hendy to show that anything Parsons could do, he could do better. He got over and Nicholls kicked his seventh conversion of the game to complete the route.

Chard certainly put down a marker as regards their intentions with this win against opposition that was not the strongest. Importantly they played good rugby while doing so. They will need to continue in this vein.

It was a pretty good day for the Chard club all round for, although their second side was without a fixture, their thirds came out on top in the game against their opposite numbers at Wellington 24-17.

MORGANIANS 0 CREWKERNE 66

CREWKERNE renewed their promotion challenge with a vengeance against a rather large and lumpy home side who, although they competed until the end, could not cope with the intensity of their opponents.

The scene was set early on when, after a Godfrey penalty goal had given the visitors the lead, they pushed the home eight over their own line from a five metre scrummage, with number eight Scott Johnson coming up with the ball.

This gave Crewkerne a ten-point lead after just five minutes and they went on from there.

Scrum-half Harris touched down twice before the halfway stage and, with skipper Hill also getting on the score sheet, and Godfrey converting all three, Crewkerne had both the result and the bonus point wrapped up by half time.

In fact the game was something of a triumph for Godfrey the Crewkerne place kicker. He registered a 100 per cent success rate, something that rarely happens in local rugby, or anywhere else for that matter.

In fact Crewkerne lost focus for the first 10 minutes of the second-half. They regained it subsequently however and, with Harris adding another two tries to his total, and Wall (two), Edwards and Johnson also getting on the score sheet, Crewkerne's try feast continued and they had really moved out of sight by the time the whistle for no side sounded.

PREVIEW

The CHARD first side have already embarked on what, on paper anyway, is its easiest month of the season, with three of its four opponents being from the lower half of the division.

In contrast their near rivals, Old Centralians, have a more difficult programme in prospect and, if things go true to form (which they rarely do) Chard could well have widened the gap between the sides by the first of February.

Rugby football is not played on paper however and, although things have gone well thus far, there can be no room for complacency in their collective mindset.

Their second game of 2012 is at home to STROUD, a side who occupy a relegation spot currently.

I do seem to remember that, although Chard won the earlier encounter in Gloucester eventually, they contrived to put their coach through a wringer of frustration in the process.

In fact I believe that they were the second best side for much of that game, and also suffered no less than three yellow cards during the final 10 minutes of play, and they finally left their opponents holding the thought and opinion that "we was robbed".

Complacency does not normally figure too much in Chard's thinking however and they know only too well that this is a most competitive division. I think that they will maintain focus and notch a bonus point win.

CREWKERNE on the other hand, are engaged in a real toughie. They face league leaders NORTH PETHERTON 2nd and will be aware of the fact that they were well beaten in the earlier game between the sides.

I do seem to remember that the Henhayes side were not at full strength on that occasion and were, moreover, not too satisfied with their overall performance.

This is a must win for Crewkerne if they are to maintain their promotion challenge. They will most certainly have to be at their best if they are to achieve it. I just happen to think that they will do so.

Chard seconds do appear to have an easier task in prospect for they travel to Wiveliscombe seconds, a side from the division's mid-table and one that they bested very easily earlier in the season.

Wiveliscombe have shown no signs subsequently that they will be able to avenge that defeat and I think that Chard have the all round ability in their ranks to notch a bonus point win.

Chard thirds entertain Wiveliscombe thirds, although whether this game will take place I know not, for I believe their opponents have withdrawn from the league.

Tomorrow's Fixtures

Chard v Stroud; Wiveliscombe 2nd v Chard 2nd; Wiveliscombe 3rd v Chard 3rd v; Crewkerne v North Petherton 2nd.

TRIBUTE WESTN N	Pd	Pts
CHARD	**14**	**63**
Old Centralians	14	60
Matson	15	52
Barton Hill	15	46
Hornets	15	42*
Keynsham	15	42
Burnham-on-Sea	15	40*
North Bristol	15	38
Bristol Harlequins	14	34
Cirencester	15	29
Whitehall	14	17
Yatton	15	17
Stroud	15	10
Gordon League	15	7

(* adjusted)

TRIBUTE SOM 2 (Sth)	Pd	Pts
N.Petherton II	13	61
CHARD II	**13**	**60**
CREWKERNE	**14**	**55**
Cheddar Valley	14	49
Minehead Barbar II	14	41
Ivel Barbarians II	14	28
Somerton	13	26
Wiveliscombe II	13	25*
Taunton III	14	25
Tor II	14	24*
Bridgwater & Alb III	14	18
Morganians	13	14
Martock	13	5

(* adjusted)

TRIBUTE SOM 3 (Sth)	Pd	Pts
Burnham-on-Sea II	8	36
Wyvern	8	32
CHARD III	**7**	**28**
Wells III	8	22
Tor III	7	19
North Petherton III	8	15
Castle Cary II	8	14
Minehead Barbar III	8	8
Wellington III	8	-9*

(* adjusted)

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THIS is the final week for the Nomination League, also on Thursday, January 19th the Sticker-up Trophy will be held at the Crown Inn, Ilminster (8.30 pm start).

Please can any team sending their sticker-up please inform Neil of the name and if any food is required @ £1.50 per head.

The Sticker-up Annual Shield will be known as the 'FLYING TURKEYS TROPHY' as this is kindly being sponsored by the Flying Turkeys team.

WEEK 13 - ROUND-UP
NOMINATION CUP

Group A results;
Royal Oak Faces 188-9 (N.Jenkins 34, A.Male 14) Hatch Beagles 172-3 (P.Marks 35, P.Dibble 9), Wyndham Arms 231-1 (F.Clydesdale 44, T.Morrison, J.Smith, J.Small) Nomads 266-11 (R.Barnes 42, C.Miller 18), Hatch Eggs 167-0 (G.Knight 41, A.Lockyer 10) Rocky's Rollers 255-12 (F.Stead 37, T.Clapp 24)

Group B results;
Bell A 315-11 (A.Lee 54, N.Maidment 21) Ashill Boys 237-1 (S.Robson 42, R.Robson & M.Brown 18), Carnival Clingons 218-9 (M.Lee 66, S.Lee 26) Royals 296-3 (R.Priddle 53, S.Edmonds 24), Ashill Inn 236-11 (C.Male 39, L.Woodland 15) King's Head 222-1 (M.Tilley 39, J.Goldie 20), Flying Turkeys 11 Bell & Crown 1

Division A	Pld	Pts
Nomads	6	59
Royal Oak Faces	6	58
Rockey's Rollers	6	56
Hatch Beagles	7	53
Wyndham Arms	6	24
Donyatt BC	6	23
Wyndham Clang	7	21
Hatch Eggs	6	5

Division B	Pld	Pts
Flying Turkeys	6	59
Carnival Clingons	7	58
Cricketers	6	53
Ashill Inn	7	53
Bell A	7	42
Bell & Crown	8	42
The Royals	7	39
Ashill Boys	7	20
King's Head	7	9

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Glovers In Focus

By Stuart Broom

Johnson return a boost for Glovers

GARY Johnson returned for a second spell as manager of Yeovil Town on Monday in a bold bid by the club to lift the Glovers flagging circumstances that has seen them once again occupying a place in the *npower* League One relegation zone.

The 56-year-old's appointment was announced at a press conference at Huish Park where it was also confirmed that former boss Terry Skiverton would remain at the club as Johnson's assistant.

Johnson joined the Glovers in 2001 and in his first season led them to success in the FA Trophy where Skiverton, as his captain, lifted the cup following a 2-0 victory over Stevenage Borough at Villa Park.

The following year Yeovil gained promotion to the Football League for the first time in the club's history and two years later were promoted as champions to League One.

His phenomenal success, that even had him mentioned as a possible outsider for the England national manager's job, saw him move to Bristol City in the summer of 2005 where, within three seasons, he had guided the Robins to promotion from League One and only missed out on a Premiership place having lost to Blackpool in the play-off final at Wembley.

Rumours of Johnson's return were fuelled over the weekend and he took Monday morning's training session with Skiverton before the official announcement.

The move has delighted many fans who were becoming despondent with the club's results this season which has led to them struggling under Skiverton's leadership.

If Johnson was not aware of how bad the situation was before he took over, he soon found out, as 24 hours later the Glovers were cut apart by the Blades as they crashed to a dismal 4-0 defeat at Bramall Lane.

Sheffield United completed the double over Yeovil having won 1-0 at Huish Park in August to go back above 'Steel City' rivals Wednesday into an automatic promotion spot, whilst the Glovers stay firmly in the relegation zone.

I, like many Yeovil fans, was glad to hear that the board have appointed Johnson; I have been advocating for a long time that Skiverton was not experienced enough for the job; and perhaps he can now learn some of the skills that he needs to make a success in management by understudying Johnson.

It was significant that Johnson made a double substitution at half-time on Tuesday with things not going Yeovil's way, something Skiverton would never have done; he didn't even use all his substitutes to try and change things when they were losing against Bournemouth recently.

Let's hope that Mr Fry has not left it too late before making the change.

Come on you Glovers!

◆ *IT was interesting to receive comments from Charlton Athletic fans regarding my recent piece following the Addicks visit to Huish Park, where I castigated a couple of their players for cheating by feigning injury.*

They took my remarks as an attack on their team, accusing me of 'sour grapes', and the piece being a 'bitter and twisted load of old rubbish', just because Yeovil lost, and suggested I concentrate on my own team.

If they were regular readers of my column they would know that is not my style. In fact I constantly bemoan the shortcomings of my team, for which I am a season ticket holder.

Charlton won fairly and squarely and as I reported, played Yeovil off the park, although in this instance, despite their shortcomings I thought they were unlucky not to earn a draw for their dogged display.

My point was that the beautiful sport of football is rapidly turning into a business and that the flood of foreign players has brought with it a number of unsavoury tricks and dupes to gain an advantage which is ruining our game.

Yann Kermorgant and Hogan Ephraim are just two of the many examples who need to be stopped before they ruin football completely.

■ **HE'S BACK!** Fans favourite Gary Johnson (centre) pictured at Monday's press conference flanked by new assistant-manager Terry Skiverton (left) and Club Chairman John Fry. *Photo courtesy of YTFC*

STREET SCENE

HOWARD LARCOMBE
reporting on the Perry Street League

Three off as Merriott woes continue

IRONICALLY, the day that marked the official instigation of the pre (or post) match respect handshake the Perry Street League was sprinkled with a higher than average number of red cards.

There were three at Merriott where the hosts had Jack Flatt and James Parkhouse (after the final whistle) and manager Martin Case dismissed by referee Martin Ives.

It was a tough day for Merriott who went down 7-1 at the hands of Premier Division leaders Lyme Regis with the division's top-scorer Joe Bond taking his tally up to 23 with four.

By contrast it was the lack of a red card that formed the main talking point at Beaminster where the hosts' title hopes were derailed by South Petherton who went back home with three points after a 2-0 win.

There was nothing between the teams in the opening exchanges. Pethy 'keeper James Smith did well to deny both Dave Penn and debutant Ali Boyer from close-range after a goal mouth melee in the seventh minute.

But the visitors took the lead soon after when the Rainbows' back four failed to react to a Mark Tierney through ball and striker Jody Bovey skillfully guided a shot with the outside of his boot under the advancing Adam Herring.

At the other end Smith stretched to tip over a neat hooked volley from Penn as The Rainbows tried to respond.

Bovey almost added a second on the half-hour when he latched on to a one-on-one opportunity but Herring did well to parry both the initial effort and the follow-up.

The hosts created another chance before the interval but once again Smith was alert to save close-range strikes from both Boyer and Ben Ward.

The second-half was a low-key affair with both teams failing to string any fluent moves together in the blustery wind.

But the games big moment arrived in the 59th minute. Smith collected a back pass in his own area and confidently side-stepped Murray Legg but Ward intervened to get a toe on the ball and Smith was forced to upend The Rainbows' skipper. Referee Francis correctly awarded the spot-kick but failed to produce a card of any colour for the Pethy gloveman.

To rub salt in the Beaminster wounds Smith, who it could be argued was fortunate to even be on the field, saved Jamie McClements' penalty and the midfielder skied the rebound high over the bar from close-in.

The incident sparked the visitors back into life and Bovey scuffed a good chance after Adam Bourne had crossed well.

The killer second goal arrived in the 77th minute when midfielder Danny Rendall coolly side-footed in the bottom corner from 10 yards out.

A Wayne Behan strike salvaged a point for Combe Reserves after a 1-1 draw with Crewkerne Town at Slades Cross.

Earlier, Ed Butcher, who was guilty of squandering a couple of gilt edged chances, had put the visitors in front with his 13th goal of the campaign.

A hat-trick from midfielder Stuart Richards helped lift Winsham United back up to second spot in the table after a crushing 7-1 victory over relegation candidates West & Middle Chinnock at Baker's Field.

Sam Symes (2), Joe Simmons and Neil Wilmington also netted for the hosts. The Chinnocks' had just Damon Hart's fourth successful penalty of the season to show for their labours.

DIVISION ONE

A LAST minute strike from Johnny Brister was enough to keep Shepton Beauchamp neck-and-neck with title favourites Millwey Rise after a 1-0 win at Barrington.

A word too for Shepton 'keeper Andy Moody (who saveded a penalty) and his back line who kept their fourth clean sheet in a row.

Two Robbie Walker goals keeps Forton Rangers in the promotion hunt after a 3-0 win at Lyme Regis Reserves.

At the other end of the tabel a Ben Ford goal earned Norton Athlectic a point from the visit of Beaminster Reserves who had their goalscorer Josh Hunter dismissed after receiving two yellow cards from referee Jim Jowatt.

Meanwhile the basement battle at the Rec saw visiting Perry Street Reserves edge a 2-1 win over Ilminster Colts where second-half goals from Jay Bailey and an OG overturned Nick Whaites' 20th minute opener.

DIVISION TWO

EACH game in Division Two produced a shock of sorts.

Dan Rodgers scored twice as the day's top-scorers South Petherton surprisingly thrashed promotion-rivals Dowlish & Donyatt 9-3 (Pethy's biggest win in five years) and squeezed back to top spot in the process.

Over at Henhayes Paul Gold scored a hat-trick (before being sent-off) but previous leaders Crewkerne Town Reserves went down 5-3 at the hands of Thorncombe for whom John Mason netted twice.

Chard Rangers promotion drive also recived a dent as they were held to a 1-1 draw by lowly Charmouth.

The bottom two both recored impressive victories. Hinton moved into 'plus' points as player-manager Ross Jewell scored twice in the 3-2 win over Uplyme. Misterton Reserves went goal crazy with Dan Dominguez bagging five in the 8-2 mauling of Crewkerne Rangers.

DIVISION THREE

THERE were goals aplenty at Seavington too. Artur Jacaszak and Luis Mesquita both scored hat-tricks as Luso-Chard beat Millwey Reserves 7-4.

Chard United failed to raise a side for the trip to Combe A but will have been pleased to see goals from Ian Notley, Tom Brown and Steve Baker earn Forton Reserves a jump of three places off the foot of the table after they surprisingly tamed the title-chasing Waytown Hounds.

Elsewhere, a 30-yard scorcher from Dorian Jones allied to a magnificent performance from goalkeeper Terry Crocker earned Shepton Beauchamp Reserves a 1-0 win over Drimpton.

Finally West & Middle Chinnock battled back from 5-1 down with 20 minutes remaining to snatch a point with a 5-5 draw against Hawkchurch at Oxleaze. Golden Boot holder Ashley Cooper moved up to 15 for the season with a double.

DIVISION FOUR

THORNCOMBE Reserves player-manager Lee Hutchings came off the bench but was soon back on it after he was red-carded by referee Chris Aldridge after an altercation with Lyme Bantams''keeper Rob Thom.

Karl Smith and Gary Dodge scored the goals in a 2-1 win which keeps the Thorns in the promotion mix.

Barrington Reserves third 2-2 draw in four games has seen their hopes of a top-two finish fade further.

Steve and Jamie Park scored the Yellow Hammers' goals with Josh Lovatt and Liam Adams replying for hosts Crewkerne Rangers Reserves.

Combe B eased up to top-spot with thanks to strikes from Graham and Brad Cleal and Jack Watson in a 3-1 win at Uplyme Reserves.

Meanwhile Chard Rangers Reserves had a Craig Whittingham goal and an OG to show for their efforts as they went down 3-2 in the wooden spoon clash at Hawkchurch Reserves. Jack Hopson, Chris Trat and Sam Legg scored for the Hawks.

TOMORROW'S PREVIEW

WITH their Premier Division title fast slipping from their grasp South Petherton are sure to be going all out to try and emulate their successful 2009-10 campaign as they entertain Ilchester Juniors with a place in the quarter-finals of the Somerset Junior Cup at stake.

Petherton, who go into the game unbeaten since October, face opponents who currently sit in mid-table in the Yeovil & District premier Division.

Crewkerne Town are also in the hunt for a place in the last eight. The Tigers will be underdogs when they entertain a Staplegrove side that is riding high in third spot in Division One of the Taunton & District League.

Back in the Premier Division the bottom two entertain the top two as Perry Street entertain Winsham United and West & Middle Chinnock welcome Lyme Regis to Oxleaze.

Those fixtures could provide Merriott Rovers with some breathing space as they continue their slide down the table.

Rovers for their part also have a tough fixture as they entertain third-placed Beaminster.

The day's other game in the top division sees Combe Reserves with the opportunity to move up to fifth spot with a win in East Devon against Farway United.

In **Division One**, a point from the visit of Netherbury will see Shepton Beauchamp return to the top of the pile.

Misterton, currently on a five-game winning streak, could gain ground on the leading pack with a victory over Perry Street Reserves at Unity Lane.

Meanwhile Forton Rangers' promotion aspirations could be tested at Beaminster Reserves whilst Norton Athletic travel to Lyme Regis Reserves.

The games of the day in **Division Two** are at Venlake where Uplyme entertain Crewkerne Town Reserves and Jocelyn Park where Chard Rangers take on Dowlish & Donyatt. With South Petherton Reserves inactive, Crewkerne will return to the top spot with a win - but both previous games with Uplyme this season have been hard-fought affairs.

Dowlish & Donyatt, on the strength of last month's 7-2 Tommy Tabberer victory, will be slight favourites to edge a win against the Rangers.

Over in West Dorset fast dark horses Thorncombe can press their promotion claims with a win at Pymore.

Down at the bottom, Misterton Reserves could climb out of the drop-zone with a win at relegation rivals Charmouth.

Down in **Division Three** just two points separate the bottom six. Two of these go head-to-head when Forton Rangers Reserves welcome bottom-of-the-table Drimpton. Winsham United and Hawkchurch are also both far from safe - this pair clash at Baker's Field.

Combe A are scheduled for just their ninth league outing tomorrow when they take on high-scoring West & Middle Chinnock Reserves.

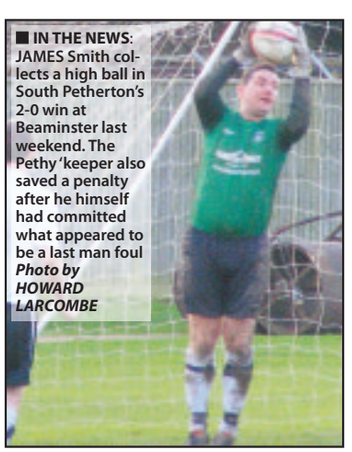
At the top of the table leaders Chard United entertain Shepton Beauchamp Reserves with Waytown, hot on their heels, in action at Millwey Rise Reserves.

The second and third placed teams in **Division Four** meet at the Rec when Ilminster A welcome Chard United Reserves.

TOMORROWS FIXTURES - *All 2pm ko unless stated*
Somerset Junior Cup - 1.45pm ko
Crewkerne Town v Staplegrove
South Petherton v Ilchester Junior
Devon Intermediate (East) SF
Newtown v Millwey Rise
PREMIER
Farway United v Combe Reserves
Merriott Rovers v Beaminster
Perry Street v Winsham United
West & Middle Chinnock v Lyme Regis
DIVISION ONE
Beaminster Reserves v Forton Rangers
Lyme Regis Reserves v Norton Athletic
Misterton v Perry Street Reserves
Shepton Beauchamp v Netherbury
DIVISION TWO
Chard Rangers v Dowlish & Donyatt
Charmouth v Misterton Reserves
Crewkerne Rangers v Hinton
Pymore v Thorncombe
Uplyme v Crewkerne Reserves
DIVISION THREE
Chard United v Shepton Beauchamp Reserves
Combe A v West & Middle Chinnock Reserves
Forton Rangers Reserves v Drimpton
Millwey RiseRes v Waytown Hounds
Winsham United Reserves v Hawkchurch United
DIVISION FOUR
Barrington Reserves v Combe B
Crewk Rangers Reserves v Chard Rangers Reserves
Hawkchurch United Reserves v Uplyme Reserves
Ilminster Town A v Chard United Reserves
Thorncombe Reserves v Farway United Reserves

Shepton Beauchamp

■ **PREMIER DIVISION BOUND?** Shepton Beauchamp are currently in the hunt for silverware on three fronts. Line-up, standing from left; Kris Hastings, Dorian Jones, David Suckling, John Spendlowe, Pete Field, Ben Hawkins, Tommy Brister, Brad Powers, Tom Renton. Front; Anthony Smith (manager), Bradley Roach, Andy Moody, Sam Murley, Dan Smith. *Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE*



■ **IN THE NEWS**: JAMES Smith collects a high ball in South Petherton's 2-0 win at Beaminster last weekend. The Pethy 'keeper also saved a penalty after he himself had committed what appeared to be a last man foul *Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE*

AS THEY STAND

PREMIER	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Lyme Regis	11	11	0	0	57	12	33
Winsham Utd	12	8	1	3	36	23	25
Beaminster	11	7	2	2	25	11	23
Ilminster Res	9	6	2	1	20	12	20
Crewkerne Town	9	4	3	2	27	14	15
South Petherton	9	4	2	3	23	16	14
Combe Res	12	3	4	5	18	31	13
Merriott Rovers	11	2	2	7	11	36	8
Farway United	10	2	1	7	20	27	7
W&M Chinnock	10	1	2	7	13	37	5
Perry Street	11	0	1	10	16	46	1

DIV ONE	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Millwey Rise	10	9	0	1	42	10	27
Shepton Beau	11	8	3	0	26	10	27
Forton Rangers	12	8	1	3	36	21	25
Misterton	11	7	2	2	26	19	23
Netherbury	12	5	1	6	31	28	16
Lyme Regis Res	11	5	1	5	16	25	16
Beaminster Res	10	3	2	5	20	22	11
Perry Street Rs	10	3	2	5	16	26	11
Barrington	11	2	1	8	19	25	7
Norton Athletic	12	2	1	9	16	40	7
Ilminster Colts	10	1	0	9	13	35	3

DIV TWO	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
S.Pethertn Res	10	7	2	1	41	20	23
Crewkerne Res	10	7	1	2	33	17	22
Dowlish & Don	13	6	4	3	36	25	22
Chard Rangers	11	6	4	1	27	18	22
Thorncombe	11	6	2	3	34	27	20
Uplyme	12	5	4	3	45	25	19
Pymore	12	6	0	6	42	30	18
Crewk Rangers	11	3	1	7	26	35	10
Charmouth	12	2	2	8	19	40	8
Misterton Res	10	2	2	6	21	43	8
Hinton	12	1	0	11	12	56	2*

DIV THREE	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Waytown Hnds	11	8	2	1	37	16	26
Chard United	11	8	2	1	30	17	26
W&M Chinn Rs	10	6	1	3	47	35	19
Luso-Chard	12	5	1	6	35	31	16
Millwey Res	11	4	3	4	38	34	15
Winsham Res	9	3	2	4	25	27	11
Shepton Res	11	3	2	6	21	24	11
Forton Res	10	3	2	5	22	41	11
Hawkchurch 11	2	3	6	29	34	9	
Combe A	8	2	3	3	21	27	9
Drimpton	12	2	3	7	30	48	9

DIV FOUR	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Combe B	11	7	2	2	36	15	23
Chard Utd Res	12	7	2	3	36	28	23
Ilminster A	10	7	1	2	40	15	22
Thorncombe Res	9	6	2	1	24	11	20
Barrington Res	11	5	4	2	38	22	19
Lyme Bantams	11	6	0	5	40	23	18
Farway Utd Res	9	4	3	2	23	17	15
Crewk Rang Rs	11	4	1	6	35	36	13
Uplyme Res	12	3	1	8	19	65	10
Hawkchurch Rs	10	1	1	8	21	46	4
Chard Rang Res	11	0	1	10	15	48	1

(* = Points deducted)

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***Premier**: J.Bond (Lyme Regis) 23, R.Hebditch (Ilminster Town, 19 for S.Petherton) 19, Ad Caddy (Lyme Regis) 16.*
***Division One**: S.Dibling (Millwey Rise) 28, T.Emmett (Millwey Rise) 24, J.Hunter(Beaminster Res), S.Murley (Shepton B) 19 .*
***Division Two**: S.Packer (Thorncombe) 19, L.Mears (Dowlish & Donyatt) 14, G.Fowler (Uplyme) 12.*
***Division Three**: T.Menaldino (Waytown Hounds) 24, A.Cooper (W & M Chinnock Res)15, I.Costa (Luso-Chard) 13.*
***Division Four**: P.Peacock (Lyme Bantams) 25, G.Jenkins (Ilm A) 11, I.Banfield (Chard Utd Res) , J.Lovatt (Crewkerne Rangers Res), G.Cleal (Combe B)10.*

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